

28 May 1965

MEMORANDUM FOR:

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SUBJECT: Suggestion for Proposed Legislation Section  
of CSD Report

1. Suggest adding following sentence to paragraph one:  
"Both bills provide a basis for the Agency to obtain an exemption  
from their scope on the basis of administrative action."

2. In the second sentence of paragraph two, suggest  
striking "it was pointed out in." Insert "pointed out" after  
"1965" and add at end, "and requested statutory exemption for  
the Agency."

3. Pursuant to your request for language to be used to  
report the present status of the bill, suggest following:

"Hearings on S. 1584 have not yet been held in  
the Senate. Hearings on H. R. 4845 have been concluded  
in the House and are to be published soon. The Committee  
Report on H. R. 4845 is still being assembled, and while it  
is not contemplated that the Committee will accede to the  
Agency's request for a statutory exemption, it is expected  
that the Report will acknowledge our unique problems and  
indicate that the Agency clearly falls within the purview of  
the administrative exemption provision in the bill."

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## Proposed Legislation:

1. HR 4845 (Brooks Bill) and S.1584, 89th Congress, 1st Session, have been introduced "To provide for the economic and efficient purchase, lease, maintenance, operation, and utilization of automatic data processing equipment by Federal departments and agencies." *Both Bills provide a basis for the Agency's request for a statutory exemption*
2. The basic objectives of the proposed legislation have been endorsed by the Agency. However, it was pointed out in a letter from the DDCI to the Chairman, Committee on Government Operations, House of Representatives, dated 8 April 1965, <sup>pointed out</sup> that existing legislation provides "... That the Director of Central Intelligence shall be responsible for protecting intelligence sources and methods from unauthorized disclosure;..." and requested statutory exemption for the Agency.
3. It is expected that legislation will be enacted to clearly establish Government-wide and intra-Agency responsibilities and authority in the field of automatic data processing. Meanwhile, this Agency is engaged in clarifying its own ADP structure and strengthening ADP management.

4. Hearings <sup>on S.1584</sup> have not yet been held in the Senate, hearings <sup>on HR 4845</sup> have been concluded in the House and are to be published soon. The Committee Report on HR 4845 is still being assembled and while it is not completed the Committee will accede to the Agency's request for a statutory exemption, it is expected that the Report will contain a <sup>acknowledge</sup> ~~statement~~ <sup>reference</sup> to our unique problems and indicate that ~~the Agency's request for a statutory exemption~~ <sup>the Agency's request for a statutory exemption</sup> is ~~being considered~~ <sup>being considered</sup> by the House. ~~Classified activities Administration exempting permit in the Bill.~~